## Local Work Group Development of Local EQIP.

\_BROWN\_ District FY08 EQIP

1. List the local resource concerns that EQIP can address:

Soil erosion
Livestock – grazing and nutrient management
Water quality

- 2. If applicable, list any geographic regions (i.e. watersheds, townships, etc.) and their respective resource concerns within the District to receive priority:
- 3. From items 1 & 2 above prioritize the local resource concerns to be addressed with EQIP funding for the district. Describe a minimum of 3 categories of the highest priority applications which you would want to receive funding.

Practices that will reduce erosion, esp. water Practices that will improve grazing and forage production Practices that will assist with proper nutrient management Practices that will improve water quality

4. Develop a minimum of 3 and maximum of 12 yes/no questions to determine if an application is addressing the high priority concerns described in item 3.

Will the practice reduce soil erosion from above T to below T? – 15 points

Will the practice reduce soil loss below T? – 5 points

Will the practice improve forage condition and production? - 5 points

Will the practice improve nutrient management and sustain or improve water quality? - 10 points

Will the practice sustain or improve water quality? – 5 points

- 5. Assign points to the questions in Item #4 as desired to reflect local priorities. The total points assigned to the questions should be between 35 to 60 points.
- 6. Submit this worksheet to your respective ASTC(FO). After approval from the state office, the questions will be entered into the Local Issues section of the ranking tool.
- 7. List any recommended practices to be deleted from the state Conservation Practice Payment Document

The local EQIP program description, cost-share docket changes, and ranking worksheet must be reviewed and approved by the State Conservationist before any EQIP contract is approved and signed.

This document serves as the Local Work Group recommendation for FY 08 EQIP. Attached is a roster of participation in the Local Work Group.

Chair, Local Work Group Date